WHEREAS, There are over 10, 000 Bicentennial projects and events scheduled to be held in nearly 5000 officially recognized Bicentennial Communities in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, Congress established the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration to promote commemorative activities in these Bicentennial Communities, and to help fund these activities; and,

WHEREAS, Congress further authorized the ARBA to have minted and sold Official Bicentennial Medals, the proceeds of which are to be used to help fund local, state and national Bicentennial projects, programs and events; and,

WHEREAS, The Disabled American Veterans and Auxiliary is the first, and so far the only, national organization to come forward to help the ARBA promote orders for the medals in communities all over the nation; and,

WHEREAS, Members of the Disabled American Veterans and Auxiliary in the State of South Dakota will be distributing official order forms for the Bicentennial medals from this day forward until October 31st; and

WHEREAS, This activity of the Disabled American Veterans and Auxiliary will benefit not only Bicentennial activities in the state and community, but in the nation at large; and,

WHEREAS, The Disabled American Veterans and Auxiliary receive no share in the proceeds, but can take pride and satisfaction in knowing they have helped make it possible for our nation to appropriately celebrate its 200th anniversary:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim that September 15-October 31, 1975 shall be known as:

DAV BICENTENNIAL MEDAL PROJECT DAY

and urge all citizens of South Dakota to support the Disabled American Veterans and Auxiliary in their patriotic efforts to cooperate with the American Revolution Bicentennial Administration in promoting sales of the Official 1976 Bicentennial Medal or Stamp-Medal Combination for the good of the nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 15th day of September, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Five

R. F. Kneip

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

Lorna B. Herseth

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE

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